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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. (Currently Amended) A collapsible chair assembly comprising:
a base portion having an upper surface adapted for supporting a user;
a plurality of legs, each of said legs being pivotally coupled to said base portion such that each leg pivots between a collapsed position and a use position;

a back portion formed by a pair of posts extending from planar base members pivotally coupled to said base portion and a flexible sheet member extending between the posts; and

said plurality of legs including a pair of back legs, each of said back legs being pivoted to extend from a respective corner of the base portion towards a center of said base portion when in said collapsed position, each of said back legs extend from the respective corner towards a diametrically positioned corner such that said back legs converge towards said center of said base portion when said back legs are in said collapsed position.

2. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 1 wherein said base portion has a generally planar middle portion and a perimeter wall extending down from the edges of said middle portion; and

wherein a thickness of each said leg is less than a depth of said perimeter wall.

3. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 1, further comprising:

said base portion having an underside surface; and

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wherein each said leg extends in a parallel position relative to said underside surface of said base portion when said leg is in said collapsed position.

4. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 1 wherein each said leg is telescopic.

5. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 4, further comprising:

a locking means on each said leg for holding each said leg at a desired length.

6. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 5 wherein each said leg is adjustable individually to permit positioning of each said leg at a unique length to facilitate level positioning of said upper surface of said base portion on an uneven supporting surface.

7. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 5 wherein said locking means comprises a spring loaded locking member that is biased into engagement with an outer telescoping portion of each said leg.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 8 1 wherein said plurality of legs includes a pair of front legs; and

each of said front legs being pivoted to extend from a respective corner of said base portion along an adjacent side of said perimeter wall towards an opposite corner from which an adjacently positioned one of said back leg extends.

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10. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 1 wherein said back portion pivots between being parallel to said upper surface of said base portion and a use position wherein said posts form an obtuse angle with respect to said upper surface of said base portion.

11. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 1, further comprising:

a plurality of foot members, each foot member having an inner perimeter wall sized to frictionally engage a bottom of each said leg.

12. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 11 wherein each foot member has an area greater than a cross-sectional area of said bottom of each of said legs such that use of each of said foot members enhances stable positioning of said leg members.

13. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 12, further comprising:

raised portions on an underside surface of said base portion to frictionally engage said foot members to permit storage of said foot members when not in use.

14. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 1 wherein said upper surface of said base portion is cushioned.

15. (Original) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 1, further comprising:

a carrying case shaped for receiving said base portion, said legs, and said back portion when said legs and back portion are in said collapsed position.

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New Claims:

16. (New) A collapsible chair assembly comprising:
a base portion having an upper surface adapted for supporting a user;
a plurality of legs, each of said legs being pivotally coupled to said base portion such that each leg pivots between a collapsed position and a use position;
a back portion formed by a pair of posts extending from planar base members pivotally coupled to said base portion and a flexible sheet member extending between the posts;
said base portion having a generally planar middle portion and a perimeter wall extending down from the edges of said middle portion;
wherein a thickness of each said leg is less than a depth of said perimeter wall;
said base portion having an underside surface;
wherein each said leg extends in a parallel position relative to said underside surface of said base portion when said leg is in said collapsed position;
each said leg being telescopic;
a locking means on each said leg holding each said leg at a desired length;
each said leg being adjustable individually to permit positioning of each said leg at a unique length to facilitate level positioning of said upper surface of said base portion on an uneven supporting surface;
said locking means comprising a spring loaded locking member that is biased into engagement with an outer telescoping portion of each said leg;
said plurality of legs including a pair of back legs, each of said back legs being pivoted to extend from a respective corner of the base portion towards a center of said base portion when in said collapsed position, each of said back legs extend from the respective corner towards a diametrically positioned corner such that said back legs converge towards said center of said base portion when said back legs are in said collapsed position;

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said plurality of legs including a pair of front legs;
each of said front legs being pivoted to extend from a respective corner of said base portion along an adjacent side of said perimeter wall towards an opposite corner from which an adjacently positioned one of said back leg extends;

said back portion pivoting between being parallel to said upper surface of said base portion and a use position wherein said posts form an obtuse angle with respect to said upper surface of said base portion;

a plurality of foot members each having an inner perimeter wall sized to frictionally engage a bottom of each said leg;

each foot member having an area greater than a cross-sectional area of said bottom of each of said legs such that use of each of said foot members enhances stable positioning of said leg members; and

raised portions on an underside surface of said base portion frictionally engaging said foot members to permit storage of said foot members when not in use.

17. (New) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 16 wherein said upper surface of said base portion is cushioned.

18. (New) The collapsible chair assembly of claim 16, further comprising:

a carrying case shaped for receiving said base portion, said legs, and said back portion when said legs and back portion are in said collapsed position.